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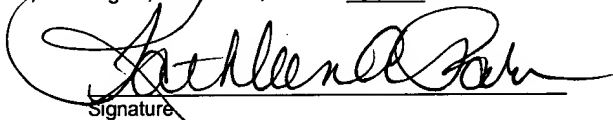
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a response, under 37 CFR 1.111, to the First Office Action mailed May 12, 2000. A petition for a 3-month extension of time is enclosed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.36(a).

Claims 1-25 and 39-60 are pending in the application and have been rejected for various reasons:

- Claims 55-60 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C., 112, first paragraph;
- Claims 5, 10, 17-19, and 25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph;
- Claims 1-55 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).